

REMARKS

This Office Action has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated July 27, 2004. Claims 1, 3 to 7, 10, 12 to 16, 19 and 23 to 25 are pending in the application, with Claims 26 to 47 having been cancelled. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 1, 3 to 7, 10, 12 to 16 and 23 to 25.

In the Office Action, a constructive election was made of allowed Claims 1, 3 to 7, 10, 12 to 16 and 23 to 25. In addition, Claims 26 to 47 were withdrawn from further consideration, for allegedly being directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the originally claimed invention.

Claims 26 to 47 have been cancelled and are being re-presented in a divisional application filed concurrently herewith. Accordingly, cancellation is without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and without conceding correctness of the restriction requirement, but rather strictly to obtain an earlier allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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